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The C A R C meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM.

NEXT MEETING IS OCTOBER 19th at the Emergency Preparedness Center.

ATTENTION: MEETING TIME CHANGED TO 7:30 PM.

In order to streamline the meeting and get everyone home and in bed at a reasonable time and still have time for a program, it was decided at the trustees meeting to shift the time ahead ½ hour, on a trial basis. if this is satisfactory to the membership, the early time will be made permanent, it is up to you.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 1983-84

The election of officers for CARRC, took place at the September meeting. None of the elected are strangers. Each have served in the past so introductions are not needed.

For President, Scott Duncan KK8D took the honors to be our leader this coming fiscal year. Scott had served as Sec-Treas for 1980-81 and 1981-82 terms. He says he has many plans to stir up the vim and vigor of the members, with the help of the membership.

For Vice-President, Gary Osborn WA8ADA was chosen. Gary had served as President in 1977-78, 1978-79 and 1980-81. He was Sec-Treas in 1979-80 and has been a trustee this past year.

For Sec-Treas, Art Schermerhorn did such an outstanding job this past year that no one would run for this position. When you find a good work horse, you don't change, just hang on to him.

A "SPECIAL THANKS" goes to the outgoing officers for the wonderful job they did as our leaders this past year. Herb WD8IPE is working full time and going to school four nights per week, for his job. Rod KA8MWZ has

been so busy lately, that he has not had much of a chance to get on the air to talk to his many ham friends. Thanks again fellows.

AREA HAMS PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS FOR AIR SHOW

Twenty nine area Amateurs, donating their time and expertise, provided communications for the Air Show, held at the Canton-Akron Airport this past October 1 & 2. The officials were pleased and thankful, for the very professional way, the communications were administered. With the public relations of Frank KE8G, who spent both days with Colonel Vogel one of the officials for the Air Show, the Colonel was so impressed by the efficient communications, that he vowed to get his ham license and become a part of our wonderful hobby. While on the PA system to describe the National Guard simulated attack on the field, he put in a nice plug several times, for the Canton and Massillon Radio Clubs, for providing the needed communications.

Rick WA8TSI, was the committee member that was in charge of providing the radio communications. He contacted Bill K8JZN, to see if the Amateurs from Stark County would provide the manpower. The volunteers stepped forward and proudly provided this public service.

In addition to Rick WA8TSI, Bill K8JZN and Phil W5VVK, who was also on the air show committee, those participating were Roger N8CXG, Frank KE8G, Charlie K8BYC, Dick KA8MIB, Jim WD8OIZ, Dick KC8OU, Kay W8LNL, Judy N8AIM, Herb WD8IPE, Dave W8LNL, Steve WD8MIJ, Terry N8ATZ, Gordy K4FID, Gary KA8MHZ, Everett N8EIL, Tim WD8JTR, Ron WD8MBF, Dick N8DJJ, Gary KD8AM, Jack N8FEB, Roy WA8SCH, Tom KA8Z, Tim WD8CIM, Joe W8KDM, & Stew W8ADQ standing by for phone calls. One lady needed a tow truck and Stew made the call which introduced Amateur Radio to another. Phil W5VVK had never been on two meters and after using Frank's extra rig, he is determined to have a hand-held of his own. Everybody enjoyed helping with the air show and are looking forward to next year.

SEPTEMBER CARC MEETING MINUTES

Although the gang started "congregating" at 7:30 PM, the gavel didn't pound the table until 8:07 PM. Had an SRO crowd which was sorta gratifying. Don't know if its these "freebies" or what, but its really encouraging. After the intros (I wonder how come Bob Cairns said "NO" under "member" on the sign-in sheet) we found out the treasury still has some money in it. The Tusco Club had not officially passed along the results of the Hamfest. Informally it looks like we will get back what we put into it. That was 800 rocks. (Flash!! Just received (9/27) a check for \$1416). Monthly financial report indicated a balance of \$2839 We spent \$103 and took in \$36.

Les Harper stated that things are kinda quiet up in North Canton as far as the antenna problem is concerned. Herb IPE, sent that letter to the city fathers. Perhaps the amount of work, time or cost involved in litigation, has caused them to reconsider. Les sees no reason for the furor. He's got the tower buried in about 175 cubic feet of cement, and it's no higher than some of his neighbors TV towers. WHBC would be envious of that kind of construction. Before we consider 807's patience folks! Wats a 807, huh???

The QSL's, for HOF special event station operations have been printed. Special thanks for the unselfish help of Scotty KK8D, for the beautiful job. All reply QSL's have been mailed except a few in the Canton area, that are available for pickup at the club meeting. Considering comments

from Les W8CFJ, and the many favorable responses on the cards, it appears that another special event should be scheduled for next year, but somebody else has got to take care of the QSL's! Had one fellow say he had a brother in the HOF- the Texas Football HOF! Got SWL cards too!!!

SET may have occurred by the time this letter is published. WD8AYE Dave says could be week either way of October 16th, though. BE AWARE!! Nets will keep you informed.

Getting off on a tangent, did you know that one of our youngsters just got two novice calls? What an agonizing choice- eenie, meenie KA8TEB or KA8TDQ.

Herb brought up the point that FCC regs have not changed, but there appears to be a "stretching" of the regs, wherein amateur radio is being used for other types of communications not specifically authorized for ham use, or ham frequencies. From a government point of view, such as police work, hams are not to substitute, or be the prime link. Info is contained in recent QST an HR.

The can of worms was opened when Bill's (JZN's) editorial, was discussed. How to get more activity and hams, into the club? Suggestions included (a) Search for the younger set, possibly through activities to which they belong, such as Scouts, Science Clubs in school or personal contact with your neighbor's youngsters; (b) Special rates for school hams, whether junior high, senior high or college; (c) More activities related and unrelated to ham work, such as square dancing, talks by capable persons including hams, or perhaps a periodic dinners like QCWA. Even considering having a business meeting and a technical meeting during the month. The business meeting and a technical meeting during the month. The business meeting invariably uses up an hour (So does do-nut time!). New officers will have to juggle this one. Also tried to reduce the annual dues, but it was defeated. It remains as presented in last month's Feedline. As of press time, we had 39 renewals, plus 14 potential Novices!

What progress on the second station proposed for CARC at the Emergency Preparedness Center? Feeling is that operating before the monthly club meeting would encourage greater club activity. Dave WD8AYE, has broached this subject at recent meetings but it appears to be bogged down.

Is it economically feasible to go ahead, and get authorization for reduced mailing rates? We must have a minimum of 200 Feedline recipients. Present mailing ('83 membership +) is around 175. We'll have to pay Postal Dept. \$80 for the privilege this year and \$40 each ensuing year. But the individual cost is presently 20 cents (\$36.00/mo) versus 7 cents or \$14.00 per month, plus (after 1st year) \$3.33 a month to 200+ including the sending of the Feedline to schools and organizations having electronic classes or shops. You out there!!- give us some addresses. WA8ADA and KC8UQ made motions that our capable editor get necessary authorization. Motion carried.

Ken W8EK, mentioned that the Post Office has a jaundiced eye on flyers having "come-one", such as prizes for a price.

Columbus hams have patches identifying their club- rather than jackets that many of the CARC members have. Is there any interest, in a patch for your jacket or hat?? Let Secy know.

A round of applause for the outgoing officers - and one for Herb, too. Prez gave a ten minute break to seek further nominees. Then the election. New officers are Scott Duncan KK8D President; Gary Osborn (not again) WA8ADA Veep; Yours truly stays on as Chief of paper work. Harley W8ETK became a trustee vs K8NIB and KE8G also nominated. All votes were

close. Considering the wise choices, no wonder. Learned that another trustee must be elected, however, since Gary is vacating that slot for the Vice President position.

W5YI Report; Ken made a hasty summation since it was now 9:30 PM. Included were (a) No race for Director or Vice-Director for this ARRL Division, no other nominees!; (b) W5RRR will carry space shuttle info; (c) Modem on computer must be on a commercial line??, not residential; seems the Southern Bell in Oklahoma City raised the bill from \$9.00 to \$45.90 monthly for a modem user; (d) SSB no longer A3j but J3e!; (e) CATV leakage still a problem; (f) 10 year ham licensing, possibly by end of year. Understand that will apply only to new licensing, and re-licensing. It is not automatic. Our nets will probably carry more of this during the month.

Wouldn't you know! The Personal Computing magazine that was the free-bee this month was won by the same guy who won last month! W8LHY!

Adjourned in the wee hours.

Art W8FEC, Sec-Treas.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT by Art W8FEC

Two contests. One for construction! One for operating! For construction something from popular ham mag - or your own design. NO KIT. Cost limited to \$50. Built after contest started. Details, if interested, later. Operating - who gets confirmation (QSL's) first, for contacts in R.I., DEL., UTAH, WYO., N. DAK., S. DAK., VT., any mode. QSL's dated after start of contest. Any Comments????

Oh, that fellow with the two calls? Chuck Bushong!!!

You QST subscribers - that brown packaging label PLEASE!!!

Don't forget to bring in your DX QSL's for outgoing mailing. No charge to you but need that label.

FROM THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT

Thanks to all the members, especially Rod KA8MWZ, and Art W8FEC, who helped make the reign as President of CARC, very interesting and smooth this past year. We tried several projects and introduced some new ideas some were accepted, and others did not meet with the approval of the club members.

The membership requested and received the non-profit mailing classification status.

It will be of limited benefit to the club, unless we increase the club membership and mailing list. Of the over 650 local hams, that are not members of our CARC, surely we can recruit another 50 members.

Welcome to our new officers. Our support of their programs, will make this a great success for them and the club.

Herb WD8IPE

HAM ISOLATED

During a week-long Seminar at Nashville in September, I discovered what it is like to be at a motel without a car, miles from everything, and not know where any of the "action" is at. Thanks to N4HGN's offer for coffee, eyeball QSO, and possible club meeting, if time permitted, I no longer felt isolated. I also found that 1½ watts will cover 20 mile very well when you are on the 7th floor, and the mobile receiver is on a mountain.

Fellow hams, if you hear a visitor calling, he will probably be overwhelmed with pleasure, if you offer to meet, and show him some of our local points of interest and make him feel that friends are only an HT away.

Herb WD8IPE

TRUSTEE'S MEETING

At the trustee's meeting held on Oct 9 at Brunnerdale, several matters were discussed and decided on.

A temporary time change for the start of the meeting, was approved for 7:30 PM. This will give more time for a program and a streamlined business meeting.

Frank KE3G, who had the highest votes for the trustee position, was voted to fill the unexpired term of WA8ADA as trustee.

The club's battery is still missing after one year.

Tentative date for the club Auction was approved for March 24, if the site is available. It was suggested to look at other sites for possible use in the "future", with expanded facilities for the Auction and the HOF Hamfest. Looking for volunteers for this committee.

Business meeting must be shortened, to make room for programs. Programs are needed for each meeting and your ideas are needed and solicited.

Status and need for setting up the station at the Emergency Preparedness Center were discussed and decided, to step up the effort and get this project completed, as soon as practical. Again an antenna party will be needed.

A work party will be needed to straighten up the radio room at Brunnerdale. It has become messy and unorganized.

Club station was discussed. It was decided, there was no need, to update the gear at this time. The purchase of a VIC-20 with RTTY interface was discussed and will be looked into and recommended to the membership.

Contests and rewards and recognition to the winners, were discussed and will be promoted. Any ideas and recommendations????

Herb WD8IPE, also turned the gavel over to the new President and the necessary signatures for the checking account will be taken care of in the near future.

Another trustees meeting is being planned for November, to implement some of the plans for the club. These meetings will shorten up the normal business meeting by taking care of minor details and plans.

FCC AUTHORIZES VOLUNTEER AMATEUR EXAMS.

The FCC has made a decision to establish volunteer testing (both preparation and administration). Details will be forthcoming and the program will start with the Technician and General exams. Advanced and the Extra Class exams would come later.

It was decided to approach the Massillon Club, and make the program a joint effort for Stark County. Cost, time, effort and facilities, plus a test request system needs to be decided, and the ground work started for the program. These proposals were suggested, by our Novice Class Coordinator Dick WB8VUN. What are your ideas????

HAM IN SPACE PROGRAM TO BE DELAYED ????

A flaw in the rocket exhaust system, may delay Owen W5LFL's historical flight in space till the end of November and maybe as late as February. In the next few days, any be before you read this, a decision will be made to go ahead or delay the mission, for further testing of the problem that was discovered after the recent mission.

Everyone is hoping to be one of the few to be recognized by Owen W5LFL as being heard during a pass over your area. It appears and is definite, that the chances are very slim for anyone in our area, to have the opportunity to be one of the few. With the present schedule, the shuttle will make several passes over our area, but only one will be on Owen's off time. He has many other things to do during his work day, and will only be permitted to operate on his off duty hours.

The best way to hear the transmission from space, will be to tune in W5RRR, from Johnson Space Center and hear the retransmission. The FCC waiver was granted to W5RRR for this mission. The frequencies include 3.845, 14.280, 21.375 and 28.600 Mhz.

Owen's primary frequency will be 145.550 and will listen between the frequencies of 144.910 and 145.490 Mhz. He will transmit on the even minute and listen for the lucky ones on the odd minute.

Good luck to all the Stark County Amateurs, and may at least one have the good fortune to succeed in this rare occasion.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Rick KC8UQ, has requested to be relieved of the position of Public Relations Officer for CARC. His very busy schedule he feels, does not give him the time to do the position justice for the CARC. If his request is accepted, finding a successor will be necessary. Would you like to volunteer??? Do you have any suggested person to recommend ????

TIME CHANGE

Once again we must try to fool mother nature, with the changing to all our clocks. It seems that we just get used to the time, and then lose an hours sleep every Spring and have to wait till Fall to get it back. Sunday morning at 2 AM on October 30th is the designated time, but it is easier and most folks do it, that is set the clocks to the new time before retiring for the night and then getting up in the morning wondering where the night went to in the Spring time or why you awakened so early in the Fall. The old saying helps keep track of which way to set your time pieces. "In the Spring, you spring ahead one hour and in the Fall, you fall back one hour." Doesn't make good sense to make this change twice a year, but if you don't go along with the practice, it sure could get confusing.... Don't forget, mark your calendar now and get ready to enjoy the extra hour of sleep that you lost in the Spring.

COMING EVENTS

OCT 17- NOARS CLUB MEETING- Guest speaker will be Gerald Murphy K8YUW, the proposed elimination of many of our US Weather Stations and even some of the Hurricane Centers would be closed.

The firm of Booz-Allen & Hamilton, took a survey over a five year period and concluded, it was costing the taxpayer too much money for this wonderful service that warns the taxpayer when the treacherous hurricanes and tornadoes are approaching what areas so that the taxpayer and his loved ones can take cover and save their lives.

This report proposes closing 269 of the current 340 field offices, leaving only the Cleveland office in Ohio, to do all the work of this wonderful service.

Gerald recommends all that are concerned of this foolish and possible disastrous proposal, write to your Senators, and Congressman urging them to defeat this proposal and protect the taxpayers and voters in his elected area.

OCT 19-CANTON ARC CLUB MEETING at 7:30 PM

OCT 25, 26 & 27 FCC exams in Cleveland

OCT 29-SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK WHEN YOU RETIRE FOR THE NIGHT

OCT 30- Heart of Ohio Hamfest at Marion, Ohio

NOV 5 & 6- ARRL CW SWEEPSTAKES

NOV 13-Massillon ARC Annual Hamfest at the K of C Hall in Massillon located on Cherry Ave NW

NOV 19/20 ARRL PHONE SWEEPSTAKES

NOV 19-Canton Chapter QCWA Quarterly Dinner Meeting

DID YOU SEND IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES ?????

Your membership dues, for the Canton Amateur Radio Club for the fiscal year of 1983-84, are past due. If you forgot this annual duty, do it now, while it is still fresh in your memory.

The dues structure, is still the same as last year. Associate Membership is \$5, Full Membership is \$10, and the Sustaining Membership is \$15 or more donation to CARC. Send your check or money order, to our club Sec-Treas Art Schermerhorn W8FEC, 505 E. Mohawk Drive, Malvern, Ohio 44644 to receive your membership card, get the monthly Feedline Bulletin, have the use of the club station, and enjoy the fellowship of the other fellow members of CARC.

10 YEAR AMATEUR LICENSE TERMS

On Oct 7th, the FCC granted the extension of the Amateur Station and Operators license from the present 5 year period, to the new 10 year period, per docket 83337. This is not automatic, but will apply to all new and renewal licenses. The grace period to renew your license after it expires, will now be two years, before you will have to take the test over. Full details will be published in the near future.

SET (SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST)

Because of the excellent participation of the area Amateurs when asked to help out in local public service events, Dave WD8AYE held a low key SET with checkins and a couple messages sent and received. We must always be prepared to offer our assistance when and if it is needed, and the local group have always been ready. Those answering the call this past week-end, were WD8AYE (our EC) W8LTK, KC8OU, W8EK, WD8IKC, N8AJU, WD8MBN, W8EAR, K8JZN, K8YLK, K8MHZ, WA8NZE, WA8ETW, N8AIM, K8LW, WD8-OTZ, W8ADQ, W8RAS, WA8TSU/m. W8ETK, N8EIL and K88OH.

Keep monitoring 72/12 the rest of the month, as there still could be a surprise Emergency Test, just to see if we are ready. When the real thing happens, no one will alert us prior to the disaster, so a Simulated surprise test would be a real test. Monitor and be prepared.